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- Please note that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 were cited in a Japanese Office Action issued July 6, 2010 in corresponding Japanese Patent Application 2001-524343.
- Please note that JP 10-233808, JP 10-271243, JP 09-191324, and JP 07-307789 were also cited in the Japanese Office Action issued July 6, 2010 in corresponding Japanese Patent Application 2001-524343 and were already submitted and previously considered by the Examiner from the previous Information Disclosure Statement filed August 24, 2009.
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